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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of:

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entitled: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR WRITING AND REPRODUCING DATA

— Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9(f) is claimed and the amounts shown in parentheses below have been employed.

The following are enclosed:

X Specification

X 52 Claims(s) (including 6 independent claim(s))

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X unsigned Oath or Declaration, Power of Attorney & Petition

X 41 Sheet(s) of Drawings

X Our check for \$ 1,526.00 calculated as follows:

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| Basic Fee of \$710 (\$355) | \$ 710.00 |
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| <u>32</u> | Total Claims in excess of 20 at \$18 (\$9)..... | \$ 576 .00 |
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| <u>3</u> | Ind. Claims in excess of 3 at \$80 (\$40)..... | \$ 240 .00 |
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| Assignment Recording Fee of \$40 |\$ | .00 |
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X Certified copy of each of the following to substantiate the claim for priority:

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Respectfully submitted,

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